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From: Stone, Christopher

Sent: Monday, June 11, 2007 3:25 PM

To: 'Paul Novak (E-mail)

Cc: Boze, Gary; Cadena, Diego; Efstathiou, Dean; Kubomoto, Rod; Lilley, Keith; Holmes,

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Subject: RE: June 19 Board Meeting - Big Tujunga Dam - Award Construction Contract

As you may recall from my previous notification, FCI Constructor was the apparent lowest responsive and responsible bidder for award of the Big Tujunga Dam Seismic Rehabilitation and Spillway Modification Project and that we intended to file the award Board letter for the June 19 meeting. In the afternoon of Tuesday June 5, FCI Constructor, Inc. formally informed us of a problem with its bid. We are currently evaluating the bid problem and will <u>not</u> be filing the award Board letter for the June 19 Board meeting.

We are looking at the alternatives available to us, including awarding to the 2nd lowest bidder. We would like to setup a briefing with you as soon as possible to discuss the project and our recommended course of action. I will be calling your secretary to schedule a short briefing.

Thanks for your help on this very significant project!

Chris

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From: Stone, Christopher

Sent: Tuesday, June 05, 2007 9:01 AM

To: 'Paul Novak (E-mail)

Cc: Holmes, Debi; Cadena, Diego; Efstathiou, Dean; Lilley, Keith

Subject: June 19 Board Meeting - Big Tujunga Dam - Award Construction Contract

Good morning!

At the June 19 Board meeting, we are requesting the Board to award the construction contract for the Big Tujunga Dam Seismic Rehabilitation and Spillway Modification Project to FCI Constructor, Inc., the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, in the amount of \$74,820,285. Award will allow us to proceed with construction and restore full operation of the dam, which is currently restricted by the State Department of Water Resources – Division of Safety of Dams due to safety concerns. Restoration will also allow us to conserve approximately 4,500 additional acre-feet of water each year for recharge of local groundwater basins.

At the June 19 meeting, we will also be requesting the Board to accept a Proposition 13 Groundwater Storage Grant in the amount of \$6,600,000 from the California Department of Water Resources and accept a Hazard Mitigation Grant in the amount of \$5,365,092 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. These grants will partially reimburse the Flood Control District for the construction cost of the project.

On March 20, the Board authorized advertising for construction bids for the project. The original engineers estimate of \$67,500,000 was revised to \$68,949,882 based on questions received from potential bidders during the bidding process. On May 31, four bids were received. FCI Constructors bid was \$5, 870,403 (8.5 percent) over the revised engineers estimate.

The Big Tujunga Dam construction project will take 3 years to complete. The Flood Control District will fund this project over a four year period. An appropriation adjustment

of \$20,700,000 previously approved by the Board along with \$11,300,000 from the current FY 2006-07 Flood Control District Budget will complete funding of the first year's cost of \$32,000,000. Appropriations for the second through fourth years will be included in the Flood Control District's Budget for those years.

On January 31, 2006, the Board approved the Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring Program for this project.

Please let me know if you have questions regarding this project. Thank you.

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